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Re: **FURTHER RESPONSE TO  
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PETITION AND FEE FOR EXTENSION OF TIME (37 CFR 1.136(a))

Commissioner for Patents  
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Sir:

1. This is a petition for an extension by one month of the time to respond to the Office Action mailed October 15, 2001.
2. Applicant is a small entity.
3. An Amendment is filed concurrently with this petition.
4. Attached is a check in the sum of \$ 55.00 for the fee required for a one month extension of time. Charge to Deposit Account No. 12-0415 any additional fee required or credit for any excess fee paid.
5. A duplicate of this petition is attached.

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